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County, Rancho Cucamonga Fire District Partner on New Station Site

SAN BERNARDINO – A land deal approved by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday will allow the Rancho Cucamonga Fire Protection District to beef up fire protection in the northern reaches of the district's boundaries.

The deal calls for the San Bernardino County Flood Control District to convey 1.16 acres of district-owned land immediately south of the corner of Hellman and Hillside avenues to the Fire District for the construction of a new fire station. The land is currently a detention basin; however, the basin has not been used for many years. The Flood Control District has declared the entire 3.98-acre basin surplus property and plans to use locally available fill dirt to bring it to street grade.

"A new fire station is a perfect fit for this unutilized piece of property," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Paul Biane, who represents the Rancho Cucamonga area as the County's Second District Supervisor. "This deal will bring minor benefits like sidewalks, curbs and street lights to the immediate area, but the biggest benefit will be the increased level of fire protection for all of the residents in northern Rancho Cucamonga."

The Flood Control District will retain the remaining 2.82 acres and will sell it at public auction for use as a residential project. Proceeds will go directly back into the Flood Control District.

The Rancho Cucamonga Fire District agreed to pay \$580,000 for the 1.16-acre property. However, the Flood Control District will provide the Fire District with an

estimated \$452,000 credit for extending utilities to the 2.82-acre site and for constructing a proposed cul-de-sac street on the property. The estimated net cost of the property for the Fire District is \$128,000.

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